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SUBJECT: LOCAL COMMUNIST PRESS COMMENTARY ON PRC RELATIONS  
WITH USSR AND US

REF: PEKING 250

1. AS FUTHER EVIDENCE THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO PROGRESS IN  
THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER NEGOTIATIONS A FEBRUARY 7 COMMENTARY  
IN THE LOCAL PRC-OWNED WEN WEI PAO EXPANDS UPON RECENT  
DISCUSSIONS IN PEKING BETWEEN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER YU CHAN  
AND VISITING EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF THE JAPANESE MAINICHI  
SHIMBUN. THE COMMENTARY SAYS THAT WHILE CHINA STILL STRIVES  
TO ESTABLISH NORMAL RELATIONS WITH THE "FIRST WORLD", THE  
DETERIORATION OF SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS IS COMPLETELY THE  
FAULT OF THE SOVIETS, WHO CONTINUE THEIR HOPE OF SUBJUGATING  
CHINA THROUGH BORDER ENCROACHMENT AND MILITARY THREATS. THE  
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COMMENTARY ADDS THAT SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS WON'T BE IMPROVED  
UNTIL THE USSR ADMITS AND CORRECTS ITS "MISTAKES" ON THE BORDER  
ISSUE.

2. ON SINO-US RELATIONS, THE COMMENTARY DERIDES THE "GERMAN  
FORMULA" AND TAIWAN'S INTERPRETATION THAT CARTER'S "MORAL  
DIPLOMACY" IS A COMMITMENT TO HONOR THE DEFENSE TREATY. IT

ASKS HOW, IF THE US IS DISCUSSING TROOP WITHDRAWALS IN KOREA,  
IT CAN INDEFINITELY HOLD ON TO TAIWAN. IT ADDS THAT A  
"DETERIORATING" US, FINDING IT MORE DIFFICULT TO SUPPORT ITS  
TROOPS ABROAD, IS REDUCING ITS MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN OTHER  
COUNTRIES AND STATES THAT TAIWAN'S "BUBBLE" (OF RELYING ON  
THE US) WILL BURST ONE DAY.  
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